

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of
Thursday, September 9, 2010

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Callisto and Commissioner Meyer.

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the Open Meetings of Wednesday, August 25, 2010, and Monday, August 30, 2010.

1000-ER-106 – Application of the City of Cedarburg, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Increase Electric Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

2400-CE-104 – Application of the Village of Gresham, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Purchase a New 34.5/13.09 kV, 7.5/9.375 MVA Transformer for Use at Its Zogleman Street Substation, Located in the Village of Gresham, Shawano County, Wisconsin

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4220-UR-116 – Application of Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin Corporation, for Authority to Adjust Electric and Natural Gas Rates

The Commission approved the Order to Reopen and Notice of Prehearing Conference and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6630-SB-125 – Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for Authority to Issue and Have Outstanding at Any One Time Short-Term Notes and Commercial Paper in Amounts Not to Exceed \$800,000,000 Aggregate Principal Amount

This item was laid over at the request of the Commission.

6630-SB-126 – Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for Authority to Issue up to \$1.0 Billion Aggregate Principal Amount of Intermediate-Term and/or Long-Term Debt Securities

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6720-TI-224 – Administration of the Mechanics of Price Regulation Pertaining to Wisconsin Bell, Inc., d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin, on the September 1, 2010 Anniversary

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

930-WR-101 – Application of the Village of Cameron Municipal Water Utility, Barron County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1125-RW-152 – Tolls to be Charged by the Chippewa and Flambeau Improvement Company for the Six-Month Period Ending June 30, 2010

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1600-CW-102 – Application of Denmark Municipal Water Utility, Brown County, Wisconsin, to Install a Replacement Iron Filter at the Jorgensen Well

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4760-WR-103 – Application of Portage Water Utility, Columbia County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

9300-SI-110 – Investigation of the Complaint of Michels Corporation Against the Town of Menasha Concerning Unreasonable and Unjustly Discriminatory Stormwater Charges

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6630-GF-131 – Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for Gas Risk Management Programs

The Commission approved the Order to Reopen and Request for Comments and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6650-GF-104 – Application of Wisconsin Gas, LLC, for Gas Risk Management Programs

The Commission approved the Order to Reopen and Request for Comments and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6680-GF-112 – Wisconsin Power and Light Company's Request for Approval of Risk Management Plan for Hedging

The Commission approved the Order to Reopen and Request for Comments and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5-AE-118 – Application for Approval of Affiliated Interest Agreements Between Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Elm Road Generating Station

Request for Unit Appraiser

The Commission approved the selection of American Appraisal Associates, Inc., to serve as the Unit Appraiser under the Facility Lease in docket 5-AE-118.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its decision.

5-AE-118 – Application for Approval of Affiliated Interest Agreements Between Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Elm Road Generating Station

Request for Compliance Auditor

The Commission approved the selection of Pricewaterhouse Coopers, LLP, to serve as the Compliance Auditor under the Facility Lease in docket 5-AE-118.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its decision.

3270-AE-103 – Application for Approval of Affiliated Interest Agreements Between Madison Gas and Electric Company and MGE Power Elm Road, LLC, Related to the Ownership and Leasing of Undivided Minority Interests in Elm Road Generating Station Units 1 and 2, and Associated New Common Facilities

Request for Compliance Auditor

The Commission approved the selection of Pricewaterhouse Coopers, LLP, to serve as the Compliance Auditor under the Facility Lease in docket 3270-AE-103.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its decision.

3270-AE-103 – Application for Approval of Affiliated Interest Agreements Between Madison Gas and Electric Company and MGE Power Elm Road, LLC, Related to the Ownership and Leasing of Undivided Minority Interests in Elm Road Generating Station Units 1 and 2, and Associated New Common Facilities

Request for Approval of an Independent Appraiser

The Commission approved the selection of American Appraisal Associates, Inc., to serve as the Independent Appraiser under the Facility Lease in docket 5-AE-118.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its decision.

6690-EI-110 – Request for Formal Review by Dominion Energy Kewaunee, Inc., Relating to a Billing Dispute between Dominion Energy Kewaunee, Inc., and Wisconsin Public Service Corporation

The Commission found the request filed on behalf of Dominion Energy Kewaunee, Inc., to formally review the May 17, 2010, Commission Staff Informal Determination regarding Wisconsin Public Service Corporation's back-bill to Dominion Energy Kewaunee, Inc., for standby service to the Main Auxiliary Transformer, to be without merit.

The Commission directed Commission staff to expand its investigation regarding current billing practices to include an audit of all of the major electric investor-owned utilities. Chairperson Callisto indicated that he would work with Commission staff to ensure that the audit is appropriately tailored and completed in a timely fashion.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

WC Docket 06-122 – Nebraska Public Service Commission and Kansas Corporation Commission Petition for Declaratory Ruling or, in the Alternative, Adoption of Rule Declaring that State Universal Service Funds May Assess Nomadic VoIP Intrastate Revenues

Ex Parte Letter Requesting Expeditious Ruling

The Commission modified and approved an ex parte letter to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) addressing a petition for clarification of state authority to assess interconnection Voice over Internet Protocol providers for the state Universal Service Fund.

The Commission directed Commission staff to prepare the transmittal materials required by the FCC.

2720-TB-100 – Application of the Village of Jackson for Approval of a Preliminary Agreement for the Lease of and Option to Purchase Certain Telecommunications Facilities

Determination of Whether to Open a Docket

The Commission determined to open a docket and delegated certain decision-making authority to the Administrator of the Telecommunications Division.

The Commission directed Commission staff to prepare a notice consistent with its discussion.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission